(d) It is expected that the international cargo movement ex-Delhi Airport, especially of transhipment cargo, will substantially increase when the expanded cargo terminal will be in a position to handle 5.25 lakhs metric tonnes of cargo per annum.

Development of new airports in Andhra Pradesh

157. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to develop new airports at Ramagundam Cuddapah and Adilabad;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No Scheduled airlines have projected their intention for operating services to these airports.

Recommendations of Lahoti Commission

158. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features of the recommendations of Lahoti Commission which was appointed to probe the cause for the air collision between a Kazakhstan IL-76 aircraft and Saudi Airline Boeing over Charkhi-Dadri in Haryana in November, 1996; and

(b) the details of recommendations which have been implemented by Government and the reasons for not implementing the remaining recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) and (b) The major recommendations of the Lahoti Commission are enclosed in the statement. Copies of the Report of the Court of Inquiry headed by Justice Lahoti alongwith the action taken on the recommendations made have been placed in the Parliament House Library vide Index No. 363. N612465R.

Statement

The major recommendations of the Lahoti Commission are as follows:—

(i) Contracting States should ensure proficiency in English Language for radio communication on international flights and ICAO should devise ways and means to ensure such compliance by the Contracting States.

(ii) Meaningful Crew Resource Management (CRM) programme should be made an integral part of crew training and before a pilot is appointed as 'Pilot-in-Command' it should be ensured that he has acquired CRM skill and leadership quality.

(iii) Air-ground communications should be direct between pilot and the air traffic controller in the terminal control areas and should be emphasised in general during other phases of the flight.

(iv) Airports Authority of India should expedite commissioning of ATC automated system and should bifurcate ATS Route G-452 into unidirectional arrival/departure corridors. Other bidirectional routes may also be restructured wherever warranted.

(v) Public Transport Aircraft should be equipped with Airborne Collision Avoidance System (ACAS);

(vi) Civil and Military Air Traffic Controls should be integrated;

(vii) Licensing of Air Traffic Controllers should be introduced; and

(viii) Adequately staffed Accident/Incident Prevention Directorate should be established in DGCA.